



Brownfields 2003 Grant Fact Sheet

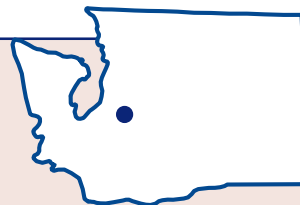
Buckley, WA

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders in economic development to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. On January 11, 2002, President George W. Bush signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under the Brownfields Law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Community Description

The City of Buckley was selected to receive a cleanup grant. This city of 4,410 people has targeted a downtown site for cleanup and reuse as a multi-use public park. Unemployment in this community of low- to moderate-income residents is higher than the state average. Cleanup of the stockpile is necessary prior to infrastructure improvements and creation of a proposed Buckley/White River Multi-Use Skate Park, which is expected to attract new businesses to the downtown and help spur the local economy. The Buckley/White River Community and other local groups that have already been involved in the cleanup and reuse planning will continue to be involved in the project.



Cleanup Grant

New
2003

\$64,750 for petroleum

EPA has selected the City of Buckley for a cleanup grant totaling \$64,750. The cleanup grant will target a 55,000-square-foot contaminated soil stockpile located next to the U.S. Post Office on South River Avenue in downtown Buckley. Formerly a right-of-way for the railroad, this city-owned property now contains a pile of construction waste. Soil tests reveal petroleum in the stockpile, which came from an old gas station.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields.

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<http://www.epa.gov/r10earth> click on "Superfund," scroll down, and click on "Brownfields"

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Prior to receipt of these funds in fiscal year 2003, the City of Buckley has not received brownfields grant funding.

The cooperative agreement for this grant has not yet been negotiated; therefore, activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.